

THURSDAY D HIKES—NOVEMBER

11/7/19. Black Canyon Trail - Glorianna Trailhead North

(I-17 Exit 248). Rating D. This is a 4-5 mile hike with an elevation gain of 200-300 ft. This segment of the Black Canyon Trail heads Jan Sherwood 5/13/19 12:25 PM Comment [1]: Directions to Black Canyon Trail – Glorianna Trailhead Turn right on PebbleCreek Pkwy to Indian School. Turn left on Indian School and go to Loop 303. Turn right on Loop 303 and follow until it ends at I-17. Turn left onto I-17 North toward Flagstaff. Take exit 248 (Bumble Bee). Turn left (West), crossing I-17. Drive about 1.1 miles and turn left into an unpaved parking area. No restrooms at the trailhead. Rock Springs Café is at Exit #242 on the way back. north along the east edge of Black Canyon and travels below the Sunset Point rest area, though you don't really see much of the rest area. It has typical desert vegetation with views up and down Black Canyon. There are several interesting little canyons with different points of interest in each - a dry waterfall in one, a large Saguaro in one, etc. The 2 smallest Saguaro (4 inches high) that we know of are on this trail. Trail condition - a good biking trail. No park fee. No rest rooms (Sunset Point Rest Area is 4 miles further up I-17 with easy return). Driving distance is 110 miles RT. <http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/BlackCanyonNationalRecreationT/Glorianna-TH-North>

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11/14/19. Walking Jim Trail (Hells Canyon Wilderness). Rating D.

An 4-4.5 mile hike with an elevation gain of 400 ft. The trail parallels a mostly dry creek and offers a wide variety of vegetation (from cottonwood trees to Saguaro cactus) and wildlife (wild burros, etc). No restrooms. No park Fee. Driving distance is 80 miles RT.
<http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/LakePleasantArea/Walking-Jim>

Directions to Walking Jim Trailhead

Take Loop 303 North to Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left on Lake Pleasant Rd and follow until it ends at AZ 74. Turn left on AZ 74 (Carefree Highway). Go west to Castle Hot Springs Road (the Lake Pleasant turn off). Turn right onto Castle Hot Springs Road and follow 5.0 miles to a pullout/parking area on the left (This is about .2 miles before you come to a "T" intersection). The trail goes off the left end of the parking area. No restrooms at the trailhead.

11/21/19 Turnbuckle Loop Trail (Skyline Regional Park - Buckeye). Rating D+.

This is a loop hike of about 3+ miles with an elevation gain of about 600 ft. This is one of the trails in Buckeye's Skyline Regional Park. There are great views of the area from the saddle. There are several optional trails to the tops of the ridges. No park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead. Driving distance is 30 miles RT. <https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/Skyline-Regional-Park/>

Directions to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead

Go West on I-10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to end of road and trailhead parking. Facilities are at the trailhead.

11/28/19 Thanksgiving Day. No hike today